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Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2003, Applicant
submits the following Amendment and Response.

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AMENDMENT

Amendments are being made to the claims, specification and abstract to correct numerous typing mistakes. However, these amendments should not narrow any part of the application within the meaning of the holding of *Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kinzouku Kogyo Kabushinik Co.* 535 U.S. 722 (2002) or any other court decision relating to the Doctrine of Equivalents. The amendments are also not intended to surrender any equivalents whatsoever under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

In the CLAIMS:

Please amend original Claims 1-5 and 7-11 as follows. Please add new claims 12-20. The Applicant has amended these claims to correct numerous typing mistakes and further clarify features of the invention originally disclosed in the Application and the original claims. All of the original limitations of the original claims still exist in the amended claims.

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